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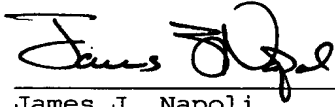
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OF THE RESIDUAL MONOMER CONTENT AND  
ENHANCEMENT OF THE WET STRENGTH OF  
ARTICLES FORMED FROM WATER-  
ABSORBENT CROSSLINKED POLYMER FOAMS  
AND USE THEREOF

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Sir:

Please advise when an Office Action can be expected  
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